

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS (Claim Listing under 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c))**

**Claim 1. (Previously presented)** In a window-based computing system having an application program executed by the computing system and displayed within an application window on a display of said computing system, said application program including a plurality of application tools that are represented by application-tool buttons respectively that are to be displayed within a predefined application-tool area when desired, said computing system including a cursor to be displayed on said display when desired for indicating functioning and user's manipulation of a user-input device, a method comprising the steps of:

In response to receiving a user input from said user-input device,

Determining whether any of said application-tool buttons are displayed,

In response to a determination that there is no application-tool button displayed: displaying a plurality of said application program's application-tool buttons within said application-tool area, and automatically causing said cursor to be displayed within said application-tool area without receiving any cursor-movement instruction from said user-input device.

**Claim 2. (Previously presented)** The method as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said application-tool area is a window, which is to be visible on said display when any of said application-tool buttons are displayed therein, said method further comprising the step of: In response to a determination that there is at least one of said application-tool buttons displayed within said application-tool area and thus that the application-tool area window is visible on said display, hiding said application-tool area window.

**Claim 3. (Original)** The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of: causing said cursor to be in a local mode such that movement of the cursor is restricted within said application-tool area.

**Claim 4. (Previously presented)** The method as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said application-tool buttons are arranged in form of a virtual geometric shape so as to provide instructions for sequentially displaying said application-tool buttons within said application-tool area, whereby said virtual geometric shape is to be partially displayed within said application-tool area when desired, and wherein the method further comprises the step of:

In response to receiving a cursor-movement input for directing the cursor to move in a desired direction,

Determining whether there is substantial space for moving the cursor in said desired direction before the cursor encountering an external boundary of said application-tool area;

When it is determined that there is substantial space for moving the cursor in said desired direction before the cursor encountering the external boundary of said application-tool area, moving said cursor in said desired direction;

When it is determined that there is no substantial space for moving the cursor in said desired direction before the cursor encountering the external boundary of said application-tool area, scrolling said application-tool area's content displayed.

**Claim 5. (Original)** The method as set forth in Claim 4, wherein said application-tool buttons are arranged in such a way that said virtual geometric shape is a virtual rectangle such that said applications-tool buttons form a plurality of virtual rows and columns, and wherein said step of scrolling comprises the steps of:

Determining whether in said desired direction there is any virtually hidden application-tool buttons outside said application-tool area's boundary;

When it is determined that in said desired direction there is virtually hidden application-tool buttons outside said application-tool area's boundary, moving said hidden application-tool buttons into said application-tool area for display.

**Claim 6. (Original)** The method as set forth in Claim 5, wherein two opposite sides of said virtual rectangle are virtually attached to one another such that said virtual rectangular forms a virtual cylinder so as to provide continuous scrolling experience in a desired scrolling direction.

**Claim 7. (Canceled)**

**Claim 8. (Original)** The method as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said user-input device is a handheld remote-control device.